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IN VACATION.

Juvenile Financial Genius.—"Johnnie," said a prominent mine operator to his youngest the other day, "I'll give you a dollar if you'll dig up the front yard for your sister's new garden." "All right," said Johnnie thoughtfully. "But I shall have to ask for 25 per cent of the contract price in advance; not as an evidence of good faith, but for working capital." "But—what do you mean?" "Well, you see, I guess I'll bury the quarter somewhere and tell all the boys in the neighborhood that a pirate hid some treasure round there. When they strike that quarter they'll make the dirt fly, I can tell you. In that way I can clean up about 75 per cent. In fact, I"—"Well, what?" "In fact, I don't know but what I can also arrange so as to find that quarter myself. I'll work it just like that salted mine you were telling mamma about unloading on the street last night." And the father wept tears of joy.—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

BOOK REVIEWS.

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The Lawyers Reports Annotated—New Series. Book 49. Burdette A. Rich, Henry P. Farnham, Editors. 1914. Rochester, New York. The Lawyers Cooperative Publishing Company. 1914. Price \$5.00.

Volume 49 is in every way up to the standard of this admirable series. We have read with pleasure and profit the following notes: "Liability of Notary or Other Officer Certifying to Acknowledgment or Affidavit" on page 45. "Duty of Owner of Property Adjoining Railroad Right of Way to Protect it from Fires Set out by Passing Locomotives." "Real Property, or Things Savouring of Realty as a Subject of Larceny" is a note upon a question of decided interest. There is a very full and complete note on page 1072 as to "What Constitutes Election to Take under or against Will." The eternal "Mental Anguish for Negligent Delay in Delivering a Telegram" has a very extensive note covering 90 pages and is followed by seven other cases all fully annotated upon different phases of the same subject.